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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the Abstract of the Invention on page 39 with the following paragraph, where additions are indicated by underline font and deletions are indicated by strike-out font:

"A method and apparatus are described for determining the scope of a content domain for ensuring that a content stream is not re-routed to an unauthorized display device. The apparatus includes a content source device, which supports multiple display outputs coupled to one or more content sink devices. A content source application generates and provides a content stream to a hardware interface which securely transmits the content stream to a protected content sink device using a content protection protocol, such as ~~HDCP~~. The content source application utilizes certain status information to ensure that the content stream is not re-routed to an unprotected or unapproved content sink device. ~~For example, the content source application initially selects a protected content sink device for display of the content stream. The content source application then stores an expected session identification code of a content display stream path from which content is received by the protected content sink device. The source application then opens a secure connection with a transmitter/codec unit attached to the protected content sink device. The source application begins transmitting the content stream, which is received by the transmitter/codec unit along with an updated session identification code, which is stored by the transmitter/codec unit. Finally, the~~ The source application requests the updated session identification code from the transmitter/codec unit using the content protection protocol which is compared against the expected session identification code to ensure that the content display stream has not been re-routed to an unprotected content sink device."